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SENATE BILL 5113

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to operation and maintenance of open space,
- 2 agricultural, and timber lands acquired through the conservation
- 3 futures program; and amending RCW 84.34.230 and 84.34.240.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 84.34.230 and 1995 c 318 s 8 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
- 7 For the purposes of acquiring conservation futures as well as other
- 8 rights and interests in real property pursuant to RCW 84.34.210 and
- 9 84.34.220, and for maintaining and operating any property acquired, a
- 10 county may levy an amount not to exceed ((six and one quarter)) eleven
- 11 cents per thousand dollars of assessed valuation against the assessed
- 12 valuation of all taxable property within the county. The limitations
- 13 in RCW 84.52.043 shall not apply to the tax levy authorized in this
- 14 section.
- 15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 84.34.240 and 1971 ex.s. c 243 s 5 are each amended to read as follows:
- 17 Any board of county commissioners may establish by resolution a
- 18 special fund which may be termed a conservation futures fund to which

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it may credit all taxes levied pursuant to RCW 84.34.230. 1 2 placed in this fund may be used ((solely)) for the purpose of acquiring rights and interests in real property pursuant to the terms of RCW 3 84.34.210 and 84.34.220, and for the maintenance and operation of any 4 property acquired. The amount of revenue used for maintenance and 5 6 operations of parks and recreational facilities may not exceed twentyfive percent of the total amount collected from the tax levied under 7 RCW 84.34.230 in the preceding calendar year. Revenues from this tax 8 may not be used to supplant existing maintenance and operation funding. 9 Nothing in this section shall be construed as limiting in any manner 10 11 methods and funds otherwise available to a county for financing the 12 acquisition of such rights and interests in real property.

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